

### Abstract of the Disclosure

The present invention relates generally to devices and methods for treating occluded or stenoic blood vessels. More particularly, the present invention relates to devices and methods for delivering or retrieving an embolic protection device from the  
5 vasculature of a patient. In an embodiment, a catheter for retrieval or delivery of an embolic protection device comprises an inner shaft and an outer sheath. In addition, a method for retrieving and delivering an embolic protection device is disclosed.